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Sophie Rebert named Health Department Employee of the Year

Caption: McLean County Health Department Director Walt Howe recognizes Sophie Rebert as the recipient of the Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year Award.

BLOOMINGTON— Family Case Manager Sophie Rebert was chosen as the 2011 McLean County Health Department Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year. Rebert was honored by her peers for her willingness to go beyond the call of duty for clients and coworkers, assisting in their need as an interpreter, case manager and trusted friend.

As a case manager for the past 11 years within Family Case Management, Rebert is the definition of a team player. Family Case Management is a comprehensive case-management program offered through the McLean County Health Department (MCHD) in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Human Services that connects pregnant women and children under 1 year old to health and wellness services. This program offers guidance and support to families with the primary objective of promoting healthy pregnancies and decreasing infant mortality.

Rebert has taken her role within the health department to a personal level— providing for clients in their time of need. She often acts as an interpreter for clients who have difficulties because of language barriers. She supports the happiness and security of her clients by going the extra mile to ensure their wellbeing. She even supports her coworkers by meeting the immediate needs of their clients if another case manager is out of the office.

“No matter the need, the person in need or the language they speak, Sophie Rebert is always there, putting others first,” McLean County Health Department Director Walt Howe said in recognition of Rebert’s accomplishments.

The Alice J. Olsson Memorial Employee of the Year award honors an employee of the McLean County Health Department for outstanding achievement related to public health services in McLean County. Criteria for the award include commitment to health department mission, demonstrated success in furthering the mission, exemplary representation of the department and achievement above and beyond required responsibilities.

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